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TAGS: ENRG, RW

SUBJ: RWANDA ANNOUNCES RATIONING OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS

1. RADIO RWANDAN ANNOUNCED JANUARY 8 THAT, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, GASOLINE AND DIESEL FUEL WILL BE RATIONED. ANNOUNCEMENT SAID AIM OF MEASURE IS TO SAVE FUEL, RESTORE ORDER AT DISTRIBUTION OUTLETS AND STOP HOARDING. TO OBTAIN FUEL, CONSUMERS WILL HAVE TO PRESENT RATION CARDS. ONE RETAILER HAS INFORMED EMBASSY THAT UNTIL NEW SUPPLIES RECEIVED ONLY SCHOOLS AND HOSPITALS WILL RECEIVE DIESEL FUEL.

2. SECRETARY GENERAL OF DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS INFORMED EMBOFF JANUARY 9 THAT EACH PERSON WILL BE ENTITLED TO 120 LITERS PER MONTH PER VEHICLE AND THAT RATION CARDS PRESENTLY AVAILABLE. SEC GEN INDICATED THAT IF EMBASSIES NEEDED MORE THAN THIS, EXCEPTIONS COULD BE MADE.

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3. COMMENT: ONE RESULT OF FUEL SHORTAGE HAS BEEN TO
DELAY START OF SECOND SEMESTER FOR SECONDARY SCHOOLS AND
UNIVERSITY. MANY SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS HAD COMPLAINED
THEY UNABLE TO OPEN BECAUSE LACK OF TRANSPORT HAD
REDUCED FOOD SUPPLIES AS WELL AS MADE ELECTRICITY AND
WATER SUPPLIES (USUALLY DEPENDENT ON DIESEL OPERATED
EQUIPMENT) UNAVAILABLE.
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